



2011-2012 SEASON INFLUENZA VACCINE UPDATE

The Idaho Immunization Assessment Board has given the IIP authority to purchase additional 2011-2012 influenza vaccine. This means there will be additional vaccine available for Idaho's non-Vaccines for Children (VFC) eligible population. Your office must continue to screen and document each patient's VFC status prior to vaccine administration.

Please be sure to complete your 2011-2012 Influenza Survey and return it to the IIP as soon as possible. Your completed survey must be received before you may place an order for influenza vaccine in IRIS.

2012-2013 Influenza Vaccine Supply

The Idaho Immunization Assessment Board will include 2012-2013 seasonal influenza. All 2012-2013 seasonal influenza vaccine will be supplied by the IIP for VFC and non-VFC eligible children.

FEBRILE SEIZURES ASSOCIATED WITH TIV & PCV13

The 2011-2012 inactivated influenza vaccine VIS states that, "young children who get inactivated flu vaccine and pneumococcal vaccine (PVC13) at the same time appear to be at increased risk for seizures caused by fever."

Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) chose to include this statement on the VIS to inform parents of the potential risk. However, additional information has not yet been published to help providers respond to parents' questions.

Increased rates of febrile seizures have been reported among children, especially those 12 through 23 months of age, who received simultaneous vaccination with TIV and PCV13, compared with children who received these vaccines separately. However, because there are risks associated with delaying either of these vaccines, ACIP does not recommend administering them at separate visits or deviating from the recommended vaccine schedule in any way.

Febrile seizures are not uncommon, occurring in 2% to 5% of all children; and they are generally benign. Healthcare providers should be prepared to discuss parents' questions about this issue, including questions about fever and febrile seizures.

More detailed information is available on Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) website at <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccinesafety/Concerns/FebrileSeizures.html>, and www.cdc.gov/vaccinesafety.

EXEMPTION FORMS

The IIP is not currently supplying an exemption form for provider use; however, the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) has a sample form available to download. The AAP Refusal to Vaccinate Form can be found online at <http://www.aap.org/immunization/pediatricians/refusaltovaccinate.html>.

The standardized exemption form for use by Idaho schools and licensed daycare facilities can be found online at www.immunizeidaho.com.

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VACCINE INFORMATION STATEMENTS (VIS)

The **National Childhood Vaccine Injury (NCVI)** Act requires that all health-care providers give parents or patients copies of current Vaccine Information Statements (VIS) before administering each dose of the vaccines listed in the schedule. Current VIS dates are listed below.

Current VIS Dates	
Multiple Vaccines	9/18/08
DTaP	5/17/07
Hepatitis A	3/21/06
Hepatitis B	7/18/07
Hib (<i>Haemophilus Influenza</i> type b)	12/16/98
HPV (Gardasil)	5/3/11
HPV (Cervarix)	5/3/11
Influenza Vaccine - Live, Intranasal	7/26/11
Influenza Vaccine - Inactivated	7/26/11
Measles/Mumps/Rubella (MMR)	3/13/08
Meningococcal	1/28/08
Pneumococcal Conjugate (PCV13)	4/16/10
Pneumococcal Polysaccharide (PPSV23)	10/6/09
Polio	1/1/00
Rabies	10/6/09
Rotavirus	12/6/10
Tetanus/Diphtheria/(Pertussis) Td/Tdap	11/18/08
Varicella (Chickenpox)	3/13/08
Yellow Fever	3/30/11

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IMMUNIZATION REMINDER INFORMATION SYSTEM (IRIS)

All IRIS users are required to change their passwords by September 15, 2011 to comply with the new password security criteria listed below:

- Must be a minimum of 7 characters in length
- Must contain a minimum of 1 uppercase letter
- Must contain a minimum of 1 numeric character

After September 15, 2011, any IRIS user who has not changed his or her password will not be able to access IRIS until the new password requirements have been met.



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BOOSTER SHOTS 2011

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Register now. The 2011 Booster Shots workshops will be offered in nine locations. For registration and location details please visit the IIP's website at www.immunizeidaho.com. Workshops will be held from 12:00 P.M. – 3:30 P.M. at all locations except Hailey, which will begin at 7:00 A.M. and end at 10:00 A.M.

2011 Date	City	Location
September 27	Nampa	Holiday Inn Express
September 28	McCall	Hunt Lodge
October 3	Twin Falls	La Quinta Inn
October 4	Pocatello	Ameritel Inn
October 5	Hailey	St. Luke's Family Medicine-Hailey
October 18	Ponderay	Holiday Inn Express
October 19	Post Falls	Red Lion Templin's Resort
October 20	Lewiston	Red Lion Hotel
October 21	Grangeville	Super 8 Hotel

VACCINE ORDERS

As a reminder, vaccine orders may take up to three weeks to process and ship. McKesson Distribution and Merck (varicella vaccine only) have 14 days to ship a vaccine order after the order has been processed by the CDC.

PROVISIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PREGNANT WOMEN ON THE USE OF TDAP

On June 22, 2011 the ACIP approved recommendations for the use of tetanus toxoid, reduced diphtheria toxoid and acellular pertussis vaccine (Tdap) for pregnant women and updated Tdap recommendations for persons in contact with infants and special situations. These recommendations are in line with the overall CDC strategy to reduce the burden of pertussis disease in infants and are consistent with existing ACIP recommendations for use of Tdap. The complete ACIP provisional recommendation may be found online at

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/provisional/downloads/pregnant-Tdap-use.pdf>

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